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THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From Washington.

By J. E. Jones.

"A VANISHING RACE."

Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane is going to give the Indians a chance to become something of consequence on their own account. His plan is to make the Indian a full-fledged citizen, and to turn him loose to work out his own salvation. The idea in our government that the Red Man must be kept on his own reservation, handed out his rations, and kept constantly under the thumb of the government is to be made obsolete, according to Mr. Lane, and he declares that "the orphan asylum idea" must be abandoned. The Secretary proposes to take a few Indians each year from the different tribes and make each stand on his own feet. It may be a long road to make "good Indians" out of live tribesmen, but Lane never found any job too big and since we have waited three hundred years to find out what to do with the Indians, it is refreshing to find a man at last who has the authority, and is willing to exercise it, in an effort to make real men and women out of these wards. Mr. Lane says that "our hope lies in schools for the young, and in casting more and more responsibility upon the matured, and letting them accept the results." He adds that "the man who can do for himself is the man to be released." One cannot read Secretary Lane's report, which takes up great internal questions, including conservation, without a full conviction that President Wilson has a real statesman in charge of the Interior Department.

NEUTRALITY AT PANAMA.

Colonel Goethals at Panama, sent shivers through the Washington government when he asked for two submarines to preserve neutrality at the Canal. The newly elected legislature of California is pledged to pass drastic legislation aimed against the Japanese, and the yellow men have shown in their attacks upon German possessions that they are spilling for a fight. Our weakness is at Panama, and the Japs know it. They are also fully advised as to what they are likely to get in the way of adverse legislation in California. Colonel Goethals has undoubtedly found the Japanese very annoying, and whatever other reason may be assigned his purpose has doubtless been to protect the Canal against them. The Washington government is trying to get ahead of California by passing a general immigration bill that will cover the Japanese question, and which at the same time will not be offensive to the Mikado's Empire.

PROHIBITION AND SUFFRAGE.

The Democratic leaders in Congress, by letting down the gates so that the prohibition and suffrage questions may be voted on, express a confidence that they have plucked the thorn from the side of the Democratic party. The leaders among the Democrats told their individual members to "go it for themselves," and the result has been comforting to the party, but rather disquieting to individuals. The same condition has applied equally to the Republican membership. It is expected that the partisans of these two questions will now give more attention to killing off individual statements, instead of throwing javelins at party organizations.

INVESTIGATIONS THAT DO NOT ENTHUSE.

Senator Robinson insists that the report from Mexico that the Carranza Government paid two United States Senators \$75,000 to bring about the withdrawal of United States troops, should be investigated. The Senate never has taken the report seriously, and Senator Smoot thinks it should be treated as so much "piffle." Senator Norris is insisting upon an investigation of the Pennsylvania primaries, and he wants to get at the truth of the stories that carloads of money were poured into the campaign to elect Mr. Penrose. The Senate does not take kindly to this suggestion, either, as it is rather against the precedent of things to investigate a winner. Still, this thing was done in the case of Senators Stephenson and Lorimer, and the latter walked the plank in consequence of having been found guilty.

AMERICA'S SHIPMENTS OF MINES OF WAR.

Senator Mitchell of Nebraska and Representative Bartholdt of Missouri

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Sunday evening the Christmas concert was held at the Congregational Church and the program was given as published in last week's Citizen. Miss Blanche Herrick presided at the organ and the concert opened with the Processional. The children were, as always, attractive in their songs and recitations. The solo, "Holy Night," as rendered by little Miss Madeline Coudage, was finely rendered. Prof. F. E. Hanson's reading was a gem. Mrs. Gehring gave the audience the pleasure of hearing some of the famous soloists at the oratorio—through the medium of the Victor—which were much appreciated.

Bethel Methodist Episcopal Church, Thursday Evening, Dec. 24.

Organ Voluntary.

Miss Florence Springer

Song, "Blessed Christmas Day,"

Girls' Chorus

Scripture Lesson and Prayer, Pastor

Song, "Across the Sea in Bethlehem

Town,"

Primary Class

Reading and Tabernacle, "The Birds'

Christmas Carol,"

Duet, "The Bethlehem Lullaby,"

Doris Grover and Hildred Keady

Exercises, "Bethlehem on Christmas

Day," The Young Men's and Young

Women's Classes

Solo and Chorus, "Little Christmas

Snow Flakes,"

Millicent Callahan and Primary Class

Recitation, Freda Wheeler

Solo, "Christmas Candles,"

Eunice Smith

Duet, "Long, Long Ago,"

Messrs. Anderson and Tyler

Dialogue, "Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus,"

Closing Chorus, "The Savior of All,"

The Choir

Universalist Church, Sunday Evening,

Dec. 27.

"Song of the Christmas," Chorus

Responsive Reading

Prayer

"Wake, O Judean Land," Choir

Recitation, Dorothy Edwards

"Hush Thee, Dear One," Chorus

Exercises, "Ring, Shine and Glow,"

Recitation, Clarence Philbrook

"Glory in the Highest," Chorus

Recitation, Margaret Van

Recitation, Freeland Clark

"Song The Angels Sang," Chorus

Recitation, Theodore King

"In the Starlight," Duet and Chorus

Exercises, "Stepping Stones,"

"Dreaming City," Solo and Chorus

Recitation, Dorothy Hutchins

"Redeemer from Realms of the Sky,"

Chorus

Recitation, Marion Hutchins

Recitation, Marjorie Farrell

"Star of the King," Chorus

Allegory, "A Soul in Doubt,"

GOULD'S ACADEMY

School at the Academy closed until January 5th.

Our basket ball team played Rumford High at Rumford, Friday evening, Dec. 18, and was defeated 46 to 11. A victory was hardly expected owing to the fact that two of our best men were out of the game and that Rumford has a very fast team.

Gould's, 11. Rumford High, 46.
Kendall, rf. Young, rf.
Chapman, lf. U. Bonfard, lf.
Mundy, c. Marx, c.
Gammings, rg. Lovejoy, rg.
Benn, lg. A. Bonfard, lg.
Young, sb. Subs, Thomas, Dyer.
Goals from floor: Kendall 2, Chapman 1, Benn 1, Marx 5, Young 12, U. Bonfard 4, A. Bonfard 1, Lovejoy 1. Goals from fouls: Chapman 3. Time, two 20-minute periods. Scorer, Moore. Timer, George. Umpires, Small and Dennis. Referee, Dennis and Small.

Charles Small purchased a new hat at Rumford last week.

Miss Whitmore is spending the Christmas vacation with Miss Pratt at her home in Reading, Mass.

The dormitory is being kept open this vacation.

Parker Russell and George E. Smith of Hanover went to Rumford with the basket ball team last Friday.

SHORT COURSES

IN FARMING.

College of Agriculture of the University of Maine.

Have you ever taken a short course at the College of Agriculture? If not, and you are uncertain as to its practical value, ask some person who has attended one or more of them. These courses have the reputation of giving real instruction in as short a time as possible and it is the aim of the College of Agriculture to keep up this high standard.

The short courses are intensely practical. They aim to give the essence of the greatest, every-day agricultural truths in three weeks' teaching. The days are filled with lectures, discussions, and practical demonstrations in the various farm practices. These courses are of inestimable value to the person who attends with serious intention of learning as much as possible. There are few farmers in the state who can afford to let this opportunity slip away from them.

The courses in General Agriculture and Dairying will open Monday evening, Jan. 4th and continue for four weeks. The courses in Horticulture and Poultry Management will open Monday evening, Feb. 1st, and continue for three weeks. No tuition or fees of any kind are charged, and students are not required to purchase textbooks. The expense will consist of railroad fare, and board and room, which costs from \$1.50 to \$3.50 per week. Any person fifteen years of age or over will be admitted to any of the Short Courses without examination.

In order that satisfactory accommodations may be provided, prospective students are requested to write the College of Agriculture, Orono, Maine, at once, for an application blank.

CHRISTMAS DINNER.

The Christmas dinner at Bethel Inn this year will be at night instead of at noon as formerly.

A SPELLING LESSON.

What does thoroughpheighteen spell?

Do you give it up? It spells potato—that is, according to the following: Oh stands for p, as you will find from the last letters in bluegrass; ough for o, as in dough; ph stands for t, as in thorough; igh stands for s, as in neighbor; the stands for n, as in ghetto; and ea stands for o, as in beau.

Thus you have p-o-t-a-t-o.

Inward and Outward.

The inward effects of humors are worse than the outward. They weaken all the organs, inflame the mucous membrane, cause catarrhal troubles, and endanger the whole system. Hood's Sarsaparilla eradicates all humors and cures all their effects. It's the great alternative and tonic medicine whose merit has been everywhere established.

Accept no substitute. Adv.

Don't forget the movies Wednesday and Friday nights.

AUTO MEETING

Interesting Reports of Secretary and Touring Information Bureau

Some interesting reports were presented at the annual meeting of the Maine Automobile Association, Monday evening.

TOURING INFORMATION.

The belief that Maine's Summer tourist business next year was to be the greatest in the history of the State, principally because of the European War, was expressed in the annual report of D. W. Hoegg, Jr., chairman of the Touring Information committee at the annual meeting of the Maine Automobile Association held at Portland, Monday.

In making this statement Mr. Hoegg said:

"The outlook for tourist travel in Maine for 1915 was never better. This is shown by scores of letters received from individuals, hotels and tourist bureaus all over the country. The war in Europe will cut out the great swarm of pleasure seekers who usually go across the water, and even if the conflict should end, the countries will not be in condition to handle tourists the coming Summer. The two expositions in California will attract a large number, but there will be thousands who do not care to get in the crowds which will be the feature of the Pacific coast all Summer, and other thousands who cannot afford to make the long journey across country, and New England is going to get the great majority. And New England means Maine! The Pine Tree State is the most fascinating touring ground in all America, and thanks to the Maine Automobile Association and kindred organizations, about everyone is beginning to know it."

In commenting on the business handled by the Touring Information Department of the Association, the chairman said that from early Summer until late Fall, the head office of the Touring Information Bureau in Portland was visited by thousands seeking information covering the entire State and even New Hampshire, Vermont and the provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Quebec. So great was the business that it was necessary to employ people to give their time exclusively to the work.

One of the great tasks of the year was that of directing tourists around the large amount of road work in progress everywhere in Maine. This included the signing of the detours, in conjunction with the State Highway Department, the issuing of booklets, describing the work in progress, and giving the roads around, as well as writing hundreds of letters and explaining to other hundreds just how to avoid the new work and use the best roads to get good roads around the work in every case, but the detours were the most obtainable and were chosen by officials of the Association who gave their time to personally investigating them.

Continuing the chairman says: "It is unnecessary to say that this work undoubtedly resulted in the saving of thousands of dollars for the State. Without these detours, signed and described as they were, hundreds of tourists would have been discouraged and would never have come into Maine. Not only was the tourist traffic looked after but scores of traveling men and others transacting business through the medium of the automobile, were given every possible attention."

In his report Mr. Hoegg made the statement that Maine people were working against their own interests.

Regarding this he said: "There were scores of instances where Maine people worked against their best interests during the Summer and made the work of the Association doubly hard. There were many hold ups of alleged speed violators, especially on the Portland and Portsmouth road, where the real speeders were allowed to go because they could not easily be overhauled and the local officials took revenge upon the motorist who was proceeding at a moderate rate and who could be reached by the road constable before he got away. There were several cases like this and the feeling resulting was such that it turned back scores of tourists who were planning on coming into Maine. Every effort was made by the Association to correct this situation and it finally succeeded in doing it to a great degree. The tourists all declared that

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GRANGE NEWS

FRANKLIN GRANGE.

Franklin Grange held an all day meeting, Saturday, Dec. 19. It being the annual business session, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Master—Ralph M. Bacon.
Overseer—H. H. Cushman.
Lecturer—Mrs. Annie Davis.
Steward—Owen Davis.
Asst. Steward—Claude Cushman.
Chaplain—Mrs. Mary Bartlett.
Treasurer—G. L. Cushman.
Secretary—G. W. Q. Perham.
Gate Keeper—Ellis Davis.
Pomona—Mrs. Martha Dudley.
Ceres—Mrs. Martha Barrett.
Flora—Mrs. Mina G. Bacon.
L. A. Steward—Miss Elsie Cushman.
Librarian—Miss Elva Abbott.
Chorister—Mrs. Cora Perham.
Trade Agent and Hall Agent—G. L. Cushman.

Installation of officers will be Jan. 2, 1915.

AZISCOOS GRANGE.

A regular meeting of Aziscoos Grange was held Nov. 21 at which meeting it was voted to finish the grange hall by drawing an order for the full amount of the money in the grange treasury and turning it over to the Lincoln Building Association to be used for that purpose. At a special meeting called Dec. 9 for the purpose of electing officers the following were elected: Master—Azel Wilson.
Overseer—Fawn Littlehale.
Lecturer—Zella Hart.
Steward—Harry Hart.
Asst. Steward—Alfred Hart.
Chaplain—Lizzie Bennett.
Treasurer—D. C. Bennett.
Secretary—G. T. Fox.
Gate Keeper—Leon Bennett.
Ceres—Greta Wilson.
Pomona—Hortense Fox.
Flora—Iva Littlehale.
L. A. Steward—Ina Ripley.

BEAR RIVER GRANGE.

Bear River Grange, No. 285, held its regular meeting Saturday evening, Dec. 12th. The Master filled vacant chairs as follows:—Lecturer, Mrs. Rena Eaton; Steward, W. D. Kilgore; Gate Keeper, M. A. Holt; Flora, Mrs. A. E. Bailey. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Master—D. C. Smith.
Overseer—L. E. Smith.
Lecturer—Mrs. Rena Eaton.
Steward—A. E. Bailey.
Asst. Steward—Leroy Stearns.
Chaplain—Leon A. Roberts.
Treasurer—S. P. Davis.
Secretary—C. F. Saunders.
Gate Keeper—M. A. Holt.
Ceres—Mrs. Nellie Holt.
Pomona—Mrs. Edna Smith.
Flora—Mrs. Susan Wright.
L. A. Steward—Gwendolyn Godwin.
It was voted to appoint S. P. Davis as installing officer. It was voted to have an all day meeting Installation Day, also a dinner, which is in the hands of the following committee:—Mrs. S. P. Davis, Mrs. Susan Wright, Mrs. Albert James, Mrs. A. E. Bailey, Mrs. Han Godwin. The entertainment for the day is in charge of L. E. Wight, Mrs. Rena Eaton, Mrs. Lena Bartlett. It was voted to have W. D. Kilgore purchase a dozen new singing books for the grange.

MOUNTAIN VIEW GRANGE.

Mountain View Grange, No. 437, was obliged to omit its regular meeting on Dec. 15th.

BEAR MOUNTAIN GRANGE.

Bear Mt. Grange held their regular session, Dec. 12 and the following of officers were elected for 1915:—Master—W. W. Abbott.
Overseer—Harold S. Pike.
Lecturer—W. K. Hamlin.
Steward—H. O. Gardner.
Asst. Steward—Arthur Sanderson.
Chaplain—O. W. Bias.
Secretary—C. S. Hamlin.
Treasurer—L. J. Saunders.
Ceres—Mrs. W. W. Abbott.
Pomona—Mrs. E. L. Pike.
Flora—Mrs. W. K. Hamlin.
L. A. Steward—Carrie Hamlin.
Planist—Mrs. Jennie Sanderson.
A special meeting was called to work the first and second degrees on a class on Dec. 18. At the next regular meeting, Dec. 25 the third and fourth degrees will be conferred on a large class, and the last program of the year will be given. C. S. Hamlin is committee. A supper will follow.

PARIS GRANGE.

Paris Grange met Dec. 19th, and elected the following executive committee:—L. A. Brooks to serve three years.

WANT COLUMN.

Put your Want and Sale notices here and they will be read in 3,000 Oxford County homes—4 lines, 1 week, 25c. 3 weeks 50c.

ROOMS TO LET, AUTO AND TEAM CONVEYANCE.

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WANTED—Early cut clover, mixed and bright upland grades for my dairy trade. Write what you have and price put onto cars. Mention this paper. CHAS. T. FOSTER, 12-17-4t, Leominster, Mass.

NOTICE TO THE SICK.

The sick needing care will find pleasant rooms with Mrs. L. M. Abbott, Bethel. Inquire of Mrs. Wight and Tibbatts. 11-5-8t.

WANTED—Every woman to know that she can have her old Pony coat made into a first-class, stylish, loose fitting garment for a moderate amount of money, also, all other kinds of fur remodeling. T. J. MURPHY, Manufacturing Furrier, Corner Lisbon & Ash Sts., Lewiston, Me.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bethel National Bank will be held in the banking rooms of said Bank, in Bethel, Maine, on Tuesday the twelfth day of January, 1915, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

GLENNY C. PARK, Cashier. Bethel, Me., December 1st, 1914.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for kindness and sympathy shown in our recent bereavement, also for the beautiful floral tributes. Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Lowell, Linwood L. Lowell, Josephine L. Lowell, Mrs. Mary C. Lowell, Mr. Ira W. Lowell.

West Bethel, Me., Dec. 22, 1914.

INTERESTING LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

The Maine legislature will be seated next month under conditions never before encountered in Maine law-making. In the Senate the Republicans have a clean plurality of 3; in the House the Democrats have a small plurality, the Republicans a threatening minority, and the Progressives an annoying handful. On joint ballot the Democrats apparently will have 91, the Republicans 87, and the Progressives 4. The organization of the two branches will be interesting to follow, the deliberations and voting of the joint sessions will be intensely interesting, and some of the battles of the session will without doubt be very spectacular.

In order to follow the history of this legislature you should have a daily copy of the newspaper which is best equipped and located to cover this big piece of Maine news every day. The Kennebec Journal has a staff which in editorial talent and reportorial efficiency is unequalled in Maine, and it is especially well equipped in every detail to cover the legislative news.

This winter the Kennebec Journal will turn the best men on its staff to the business of reporting and interpreting the movements of the legislative session, and the paper will bring out in detail the meaning of every movement of importance.

Advance notices of all the committee hearings are published in the Journal, a matter of great importance to those who are watching new legislation. The Journal also publishes at the opening of the session biographical sketches of the members of the legislature, accompanied by portraits. The price of the Daily Kennebec Journal will be \$1.25 for the session. Address: Kennebec Journal Company, Augusta, Maine. Adv.

J. M. Millett two years, and Austin Stearns for one year. Ernest Talbot declined to serve as steward and Winfield C. Thayer was elected as steward. The next meeting will be Jan. 2 at 10:30 A. M., when the officers will be installed by Past Master, L. A. Brooks.

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IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE.

CLEARANCE SALES

The prudent shopper takes advantage of these sales early. Are you one of them? Now is the time when your dollars will almost double in value in many purchases.

\$22	Ladies' Suits, Clearance Price,	\$11
19	"	9.50
16.50	"	8.25
15	"	7.50
12.50	"	6.25

Ladies' Suits, Clearance Prices

All of our Coats are marked down, a saving of \$2.50 to \$6.50 on a coat.

Children's Coats at a discount of 1-3 of regular price.

Thomas Smiley

NORWAY - MAINE

LET US HELP YOU Solve That Christmas Problem

STOVES, DISHES, GLASSWARE, SKATES,
HOCKEY STICKS, GUNS, PIPES, ELECTRIC
LAMPS, ELECTRIC TOASTERS,
ELECTRIC STOVES, Etc.

Don't Fail to See Our 10c Counter

**G. L. THURSTON & SON,
BETHEL, MAINE**

Have You Seen Our Corn Machine?

Come in and look it over.

We can pop corn for your Christmas tree
cheaper than you can buy it and pop it your-
self.

Give us a trial.

Come in and Look at Our
Green Seal Christmas Boxes
The Best on the Market

BETHEL FRUIT CO.

BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Merry Christmas to all.

Mrs. Fred Philbrook was in Portland, Saturday.

Mr. Percy Flint of No. Newry was in town, Monday.

Mrs. Charles Cole visited friends at Bryant's Pond, Saturday.

Deputy Sheriff A. W. Arkett of West Paris was in town, Friday.

Mrs. Piper of Dexter is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Rollins.

Mr. Rescoe Gross will spend Christmas with his parents in Portland.

Miss Miriam Herriek went to Boston, Saturday to spend a few days.

Mrs. Fred Adams visited her parents in Shelburne, N. H., last week.

Miss Angie Chapman has returned from a visit with friends in Bath.

Mr. Henry Austin was a guest of his sister in Paris the first of the week.

Miss Starrett is spending the holidays with her parents in Warren, Me.

Mr. Morrill Maxwell of Lynn, Mass., is visiting Mr. Fred Clark and family.

Mr. Albert Clark is home from Wentworth Institute for the Christmas vacation.

Miss Nellie Coburn of Portland is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Percy A. Jewell.

Master Richard Browne is spending his vacation with his mother on Long Mountain.

Miss Brooks is spending the Christmas vacation at her home in Woodstock, N. B.

Miss Florence Springer is spending a few days with friends in Winthrop and Augusta.

Mrs. P. L. Edwards, Mrs. Clarence Fox and Marion Dean were in Portland, Saturday.

Miss Marion Mansfield of Smith College is expected to arrive Thursday for the holidays.

Miss Yvonne Browne is spending her vacation in Newburyport, Mass., with her grandparents.

Mrs. Steven Byrd of Gorham, N. H., was a guest of her brother, Mr. Herman Mason, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Browne came in from their camp to spend Saturday night and Sunday at their home.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Dwinel of Mechanic Falls will spend Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. H. S. Pashard.

Miss Leona Parlin went to Holliston, Mass., Saturday, to spend several months with relatives and friends.

Charles A. Douglas and Mrs. Newell Holwin have bought the chair factory property and are getting the mill ready to run. They have already contracted for the sawing of a large amount of long and short lumber and will do a general sawing business. There will be a chance in the building for some good industry to locate.

The Ladies' Club will be omitted this week.

Mr. Charles E. Neal was in Auburn a few days last week.

Mr. Gilbert Rich of New York is spending a few days in town.

The Ladies' Club spent a delightful afternoon with Miss Upson last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Howe of East Bethel were in the village last Thursday.

Miss Mildred Morgan, who was ill with tonsillitis, has returned to her work at Maple Inn.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. F. S. Chandler, Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 29, at three o'clock.

Evelyn Chandler of Norway is spending her vacation with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Chandler.

Only 7 days more in which to get the Pine Tree Poultry Herald free. See advertisement in another column.

Mrs. Blackwell, who has been staying at Elbert Tuell's, will spend Christmas at her home in Cambridge.

Mr. Gotthard Carlson of Dorchester, Mass., will spend Christmas with his wife at her parents, Dr. and Mrs. P. B. Tuell.

Mr. W. A. Banting was in Bethel, Tuesday, in his official capacity and was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Chandler.

Mrs. Bertram Packard of Camden arrived in Bethel, Friday, to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Davis Lovejoy.

Miss Hamlin has returned to her home in Milan, N. H., after spending several days with her cousin, Mrs. Sidney Howe.

Miss Margaret Herriek of Mt. Holyoke College will spend the holidays with her parents, Judge and Mrs. A. E. Herriek.

Mr. Irving Harriman, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis at the C. M. G. Hospital, is reported as gaining.

Mr. Paul K. Ames of New York came to accompany his mother, Mrs. Agnes Ames, to New York, where she will spend the winter.

Mr. Carroll Valentine of Dartmouth College is spending the Christmas recess with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Valentine.

Mr. Alton Richardson came home from the University of Maine last Thursday and is assisting in the store of Ceylon Rowe & Son.

Mr. George Massey, a former student of the Academy, who went to California a few years ago was calling on friends in town last week.

Mr. Harold Rich arrives Thursday night from Williams College to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Rich.

The Christmas concert of the M. E. Church will be Thursday evening, Dec. 31 and the usual supper for the Sunday school will be on New Year's eve.

TO OUR CUSTOMERS

A Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year

L. M. STEARNS

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Don't Forget that the New Year is approaching and that you want to start right.

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1 Coffee Strainer.....	3.00
1 Qt. Pudding Pan.....	6.10
1 Pie Plate.....	5.35
1 1/2 Qt. Lipped Sauce Pan.....	6.50
1 1 Pt. Dipper.....	6.35
1 Set of 6 Jelly Moulds.....	6.50
1 Skimmer.....	7.00
1 1 Qt. Mixing Bowl.....	8.35
1 1 Qt. Dipper.....	9.35
1 1 1/2 Qt. Lipped Sauce Pan.....	9.40
1 Jelly Cake Pan.....	11.05
1 2 Qt. Pudding Pan.....	12.00
1 Bread or Loaf Cake Pan.....	12.00
1 2 Qt. Mixing Bowl.....	13.20
1 1 Qt. Milk Pail.....	15.50
1 3 Qt. Lipped Sauce Pan.....	15.55
1 No. 450 Fry Pan.....	20.95
1 3 Qt. Berlin Sauce Pan.....	21.50
1 6 Qt. Preserving Kettle.....	26.65
1 4 Qt. Berlin Kettle.....	27.65
1 Set of 3 Nested Sauce Pans.....	31.20
1 1 1/2 Qt. Double Boiler.....	33.30
1 No. 510 Round Roaster.....	36.90
1 2 Qt. Double Boiler.....	38.90
1 2 Qt. Coffee Pot.....	40.00
1 No. 510 Piece Comb Set.....	44.40
1 2 Qt. Tea Pot.....	49.00
1 2 Qt. Plain Percolator.....	50.00
1 Dinner Pail.....	50.00
1 Steamer Pail.....	52.50
1 2 Qt. Fancy Percolator.....	66.60
1 7 Qt. Tea Kettle.....	77.70

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THE HOME CIRCLE.

Pleasant Reveries—A Column
Dedicated to Tired Mothers
as they Join the Home
Circle at Evening Tide.

LOVE AT CHRISTMAS TIME

Christina Rossetti
Love came down at Christmas,
Love all lovely, love divine;
Love was born at Christmas;
Star and angels gave the sign,
Love shall be our token;
Love be yours and love be mine;
Love to God and all men,
Love the universal sign.

What Christmas really means is this: that on Christmas Day the boundaries of Earth and Heaven touch and intermingle, and that the love of God and the love of Man are two sides of the same blessing. And these truths belong to all good creeds.

For Christmas Day really brings us, year by year, an assurance that God loves the world, and cares for each of us; and, having Himself entered into the experiences of our human life from the beginning, knows us, understands us, and is blessedly able to make sympathetic allowance for us. And having its dawn and brightness in the face of a little Child it consecrates our natural love of children and sends us here and there on pleasant errands whose intention is to make the children happy. That is the keynote for the Day; that it is the Birthday of a Child; a Child Festival.

And, since Christmas is a Child Festival, plainly it should be observed with such rites as will make children happy.

It is well that the house should be hung with green festoons and wreaths in the windows, so that it shall shine like Christmas and look like Christmas and about a "Merry Christmas" to all the passersby.

It is right that there should be a tree, its top pointing to Heaven, the source of all our blessings, with its branches stretched out in all the directions of the compass—a symbol of the fraternity and hospitality of this holy season.

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CHRISTMAS IS MOST HERE

For those you have not already selected gifts for, a visit to this store will solve the problem of what to give.

Time and space forbid mention of the hundreds of gifts waiting your inspection. While the Christmas trade has been good and many lines are broken, still the large stock this store carried and frequent reorders have kept the stock in good shape and you will find many pleasing gifts here even at the last minute.

A Very Merry Christmas to You All

EDWARD KING,

Bethel, Maine

THE HOME CIRCLE.

Pleasant Reveries—A Column
Dedicated to Tired Mothers
as they Join the Home
Circle at Evening Tide.

LOVE AT CHRISTMAS TIME.

Christina Rossetti
Love came down at Christmas,
Love all lovely, love divine;
Love was born at Christmas;
Star and angels gave the sign,
Love shall be our token;
Love be yours and love be mine;
Love to God and all men,
Love the universal sign.

What Christmas really means is this: that on Christmas Day the boundaries of Earth and Heaven touch and intermingle, and that the love of God and the love of Man are two sides of the same blessing. And these truths belong to all good creeds.

For Christmas Day really brings us, year by year, an assurance that God loves the world, and cares for each of us, and, having Himself entered into the experiences of our human life from the beginning, knows us, understands us, and is blessedly able to make sympathetic allowance for us. And having its dawn and brightness in the face of a little Child it consecrates our natural love of children and sends us here and there on pleasant errands whose intention is to make the children happy. That is the keynote for the Day; that it is the Birthday of a Child; a Child Festival.

And, since Christmas is a Child Festival, plainly it should be observed with such rites as will make children happy.

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Slippers, Gloves, Neckties, Handkerchiefs,
Clothing or any one of hundreds of
things that can be found at

"Carver's"

WEST BETHEL.

The funeral of little Lawrence Lowell, aged six years, was held from the house, Sunday at one o'clock, Rev. J. H. Little speaking words of comfort. His teacher and all of his schoolmates being present. Interment in Pine Grove cemetery, West Bethel. Friends from out of town who attended the funeral were: Mrs. Ada Mills from Hastings, Mr. and Mrs. P. Lowe and granddaughter from Newry, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Jodrey from Bethel. Mrs. Clara Abbott was in Lewiston, Saturday.

Mrs. Mattie Goodnow and little daughter from Gorham are at George Goodnow's.
Miss Minnie Wilson is teaching school in the Flat district.
The West Bethel school closed Friday for a vacation of two weeks.
Sunday the first team crossed on the ice at the ferry.
The road breaking crew were called out Tuesday.
Miss Mabel Scribner is in Windham caring for the sick.
Mrs. Maud O'Reilly is now able to sit up a part of the time.
Harry Bond, Mrs. Emma Mills and Mrs. Stella Goodridge attended State Grange at Lewiston last week.
Mrs. L. E. Allen went to Boston, Saturday. Her daughter, Ethel, will accompany her home for Christmas.

MIDDLE INTERVALE.

Reading of the death of Mrs. Clara Bacon Hosmer reminds the writer of our pleasant days at Gould's Academy with G. M. Badger, teacher, and her name, Clara E. Bacon, is in our autograph album with these words:—"Days of sunshine are given to all, But into each life some rain must fall. Bethel, Me., Sept. 3, 1877."
Other names are Ella and Emma Newhall, Andover, Me.; Eva E. Foster, Bethel Hill, Me.
"Your friend and teacher, C. W. Hobbs, Bethel, April 22, 1871."
"Remember your friend and schoolmate, Wesley K. Woodbury, April 22, 1871."
Katie Phillips, May 3rd, 1871.
Ella Cummings, "Tis sweet to be remembered."
Alice M. Kimball, Bethel, Me., June 26, 1874.
"You have the best wishes of your teacher and friend, G. M. Badger."
And other names with lovely lines kept all these years in "Loving Remembrance."

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Break It Up—Now

A cold is readily catching. A running system is susceptible to germs. You owe it to yourself and to others of your household to fight the germs at once. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey is fine for Colds and Coughs. It loosens the mucous, stops the Cough and soothes the Lungs. It's guaranteed. Only 25c at your Druggist. Adv.

EAST SUMMER.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Barrows spent several days in Lewiston recently.
Three automobile parties from this place went to Lewiston, Saturday.
Union Grange was invited to visit North Bethel Grange last Saturday and a goodly number accepted the invitation.
Mrs. F. W. Palmer, Mrs. M. R. Fogg, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bralson, Mrs. C. M. Stephens and Miss Mildred Keene were in Lewiston shopping one day last week.
Miss Elsie Palmer is enjoying a two weeks' vacation from her school in Rumford.
Phillip and Helen Tucker were guests of their brother, E. E. Tucker, in Gardiner, Sunday.
Tena Bonney is teaching school in Hartford.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Bryant were guests of Mrs. Bryant's mother in Auburn the first of the week.
Mrs. Eliza Bibebe is in very poor health. Julia Barrows is caring for her.

He who loves little dares little.

CANTON

Mrs. Chas. D. Whittemore of E. Dixfield has been a guest of her son, E. B. Whittemore and wife, of Canton.
Roller skating will be enjoyed at the Opera House on Christmas Day.
Mrs. Chas. F. Oldham has been a guest of Mrs. Will Nason of Livermore Falls.

Mrs. Alpheus Packard has gone to Mexico to spend the winter.
Harris Jones went to Portland, Saturday.

Chas. B. Dodge of Brighton is a guest of his brother, Frank W. Dodge and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Stevens of Orr's Island are guests of Mrs. Walter Gammon and family.
Marguerite Hollis, Swasey Wadlin and Geo. Lavorgna are home for a vacation.

The village schools closed last Friday and a large number of visitors were present on that day. Christmas tree was enjoyed in all the schools with the exception of the High school. Mr. Partridge, principal of the High school, was surprised and pleased to receive from his pupils a gift of a silver shaving mug and brush, as a token of their esteem. Miss Lida Allen, teacher of the primary school, furnished a nice treat for her scholars. The intermediate school with Miss Helen Graves, teacher, held Christmas exercises which were much enjoyed by all present. Miss Graves has thirty-eight pupils. Those who did not miss a day for the term were: Hollis Butterfield, Ruby Patterson, Audrey Glover, Roger Glover, LeRoy Lodge, Charlie Dymont, Mina Dymont, Angie Sweet, Mabel Gilbert, Charlotte Bicknell, Mildred Chamberlain, Alice Chamberlain, Viola Tilley and Howard Cushman. The grammar school is taught by Miss Alice Briggs.
The supply of ice is being cut from Lake Anasagunticook.
Mrs. Wm. Mitchell has been visiting in Lewiston.

The school at Gilbertville closed Friday with exercises.

Chas. F. Oldham has moved the building on his land near the fair grounds to the rear of his saw mill. It was moved by E. E. Fuller and Ralph Campbell with eight horses.

Miss Mabel Davis and friend of Ridgeway have been guests at the home of M. A. Walte and family.

J. Clyde Bicknell and family have been visiting Mrs. Bicknell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carver, of Winthrop.

Ethel Russell of Auburn and Ned Russell of Medford, Mass., are spending the holiday vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Russell.

Walter Gammon is at a hospital in Portland for medical treatment.
Geo. H. Stroyt and family have moved to Mexico.

A Christmas tree and entertainment was held at the close of the Tyler Corner school, Friday.

The churches in Canton will unite in having a Christmas tree at the F. B. Church, Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Richardson have been attending the State Grange.

Mrs. A. F. Russell of Canton has received word from her brother, J. Dana Sanders, of Detroit, Mich., that his wife who submitted to an operation for appendicitis on Dec. 8th, passed away Dec. 16. Mrs. Sanders was born in Pawpaw, Mich., 63 years ago. In 1891 she married John Dana Sanders, who was a native of Livermore, being the eldest son of the late John and Loretta Sanders. Besides her husband she is survived by two daughters, who at the present time are travelling in Egypt, and are expected to arrive at Genoa, Italy, this week. A sister and brother also survive.

The S. L. Club held a candy pull at the vestry of the Universalist Church, Friday evening.

Frank Richardson, one of the oldest residents of Canton, is ill.

The news of the sad death of Henry E. Curran of Roseville, Cal., has been received by Canton relatives. Mr. Curran was accidentally killed on a freight train of which he was engineer, Dec. 1, at Lincoln, Cal. He was 25 years old and the husband of Mildred Delano Curran, eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Delano, who moved from Canton to California many years ago. He leaves his wife, two little boys, also a father and mother.

The Misses Mildred Richardson, Ruth Richardson and Ada Bonney are home from Leavitt Institute for the holiday vacation.

Hert Dodge recently killed a pig which weighed 332 pounds.

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We've a splendid assortment in an extensive variety of stylish models in all the popular colors. Meltons and Kerseys, black and oxford effects. You will surely find a model to please you. Short and long coats; loose and also close fitting; some plaid back and satin shoulder lined. Many with belt back. All sizes. \$7.50, \$10, \$12, and up to \$25.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1914.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Governor Haines has nominated Wm. L. Conins, M. D., of Portland, as a member of the State Board of Health to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Charles D. Smith, M. D., of Portland, and Isaac L. Spaulding of Richmond as a trustee of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

The indictment upon which Rev. Wilbur F. Berry of Waterville, secretary of the Christian Civil League of Maine, was convicted of criminal libel upon Associate Justice George F. Haley of the Supreme court, after a trial in the Superior court at Portland, was quashed by a rescript from the Supreme court. The indictment failed to state that the publication of the libel had been "willfully" done.

The following officers were elected at the second annual meeting of the Maine Academy of Science at Augusta, Saturday: President, George B. Howe, Norway; corresponding secretary, Thomas A. James, Augusta; recording secretary and treasurer, Miss Harriet Abbott, Fryburg; executive council, George B. Howe, Norway; Mrs. Fannie H. Eckert, chairman of ornithological section, Fryburg; Prof. M. Chrysler, chairman botanical section, Orono; Thomas A. James, Augusta; Prof. V. N. Hitchings, chairman entomological section, Orono; Harry A. M. Trickey, chairman physical science section, Bangor; Miss Harriet Abbott, Fryburg; Prof. Merton Copeland, chairman theological section, Brunswick.

Two hunters from Philadelphia, who have been in the Mt. Katahdin region for several weeks, report seeing a dozen or more of the somewhat mysterious bird of catbird which is supposed to inhabit the region. They counted eleven of the animals, and are confident that they caught glimpses of several other members of the herd. This catbird is supposed to be the only one in Maine, and it has been reported a half-dozen times during the past few years, principally by guides and game wardens.

Bangor is to have a big poultry show Jan. 6, under the auspices of the Bangor Poultry Association. Over 500 birds were exhibited last year at this show and it is expected that over 1000 will be shown this year. Contest cups are to be on exhibit offered by the Bangor Chamber of Commerce, the State Poultry Association, R. B. Dunning, and Park and Hilliard.

A white-footed mouse was caught recently at Fred Turner's camp at Lake Umbagog and it was turned over to Curator James of the State museum. The underbody and feet of the little animal were pure white, the sides yellow and the back brown. The specimen will form the beginning of the collection of rodents which Curator James hopes will eventually be complete.

The Old South Congregational Church of Farmington celebrated the final raising of the church debt Monday evening, Dec. 15, also the 100th church anniversary. In the evening, a large attendance was on hand in the vestry to witness the burning of the last note redeemed leaving the Congregational parsonage unencumbered. In the past 24 years the Congregational society has paid the debt on its splendid church edifice and now the last notes on the parsonage have been put to rest. What better tribute for the celebration of the 100th anniversary than the burning of these bills of paper which represent all good work well done!

Dead for nine years, Frank H. Haynes, a native of Waterville, Me., and now a resident of the Hyde Park district of Boston, acquired his overnight notoriety when he accidentally struck his head against a light post.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Jan. 1, 1915.

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Hood's Sarsaparilla is the greatest purifier and enricher of the blood the world has ever known. It has been wonderfully successful in removing scrofula and other humors, increasing the red-blood corpuscles, and building up the whole system. Get it today.

His room, Haynes' vision was seriously impaired 18 years ago when he suffered a stroke while driving in a horse race, and nine years later he became totally blind. He celebrated his recovery by seeing a moving picture show for the first time in his life.

AUTO MEETING.

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they could not complain when the actual speeder was arrested but they were emphatic in their denunciation of the manner in which law-abiding motorists were made to suffer. In many cases dilatory methods in giving the parties a speedy trial caused serious losses and further ill feeling.

Another source of complaint, was the wrong information given large numbers of motorists at garages and hotels. In many cases it was apparent that the informer, feeling that the tourist was about to leave his place and probably would never come again, would give him the easiest and quickest information in an effort to get rid of him and thus save the necessity of some time and trouble in giving detailed directions over a somewhat more circuitous but better road. This was noticeable in connection with road work where garages and hotels sent the tourist over the regular road outlined in the road books or on the maps rather than take the trouble to explain that that particular road was being rebuilt and another road would be much better. Such business as this will soon cause tourists to lose all faith in the State and its people and they will go elsewhere to enjoy their vacations and likewise to spend their money.

It was stated that the Maine road book for 1914 proved one of the greatest advertisements to the State ever sent out. Over 7,500 were issued and were sent to every section of North America and to far off corners of other lands.

A recommendation was made that some plan be worked out between the Touring Information Department of the Association, the State Highway Department and the town, whereby road work in progress be immediately reported so that traffic may be kept posted on conditions and torn up roads and closed roads may be avoided.

During the past year, in addition to the Touring Information Bureau at Portland, the Association has established branch bureaus at Bangor and Houlton.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

In his report as secretary of the Maine Automobile Association which held its annual meeting at Portland Monday evening, John Clark Bates of Westbrook declared that legislation in Maine was needed covering the following points:

Uniform speed and traffic regulations on all State roads.
Lights on all vehicles.
Regulation of the width of tires to protect the roads that are being constructed.
Licensing labor on roads.
Making more effective the registration law.

Mr. Bates reviewed the progress of the Association during the past year, commencing much of the good work which it has accomplished. He pointed out that today the Maine Automobile Association has an active membership of 2,634 and that it is the largest association of automobilists in the State, of any State association in the country. Financially the organization is after an excellent condition, the receipt of dues from the large membership making it possible to accomplish the vast amount of work which has been done.

Mr. Bates called attention to the great increase in the number of automobilists in Maine and declared it imperative to gain in the same ratio that the road be cleaned up to two feet in width of 20 as was the original intention.

Regarding the same he said: "For the seven months of this year, from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, the automobilists have paid the State \$122,730 in license fees, or nearly 50 per cent more than last year. For the past two years the license has been beyond all anticipation. When the law authorizing the bond issue was first considered by State officials, it was estimated that it would be brought together."

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Extraordinary Values!

Every Garment
This Season's Product.

NOTE—As our stock of Garments was particularly heavy and varied this season, this offering is both large and comprehensive. Early comers will of course, find the better selection. Better plan to be on the spot bright and early Saturday morning the 26th. See our big announcement in Portland morning papers of the 25th.

Our Annual Sale of Silks Will Commence Monday Morning, December 28th

None but new, fresh goods are offered.

Prices will be lower and values better than has been possible for several seasons past.
Silks for street wear.
Silks for evening wear.
Silks for the coming summer.
All new and fresh and beautiful.

This sale is conducted each year as an opening-of-the-season "event" in our silk departments. It is planned and intended to make the present one the largest and most successful we have ever conducted. See our big announcement in Portland Sunday papers.

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Portland, Maine.

ay 20 years from 1912 the fee would average \$100,000 annually. While not given to prosperity, I venture to predict that within ten years from the time the first bond was sold, the automobilists will have paid into the State treasury enough to pay the interest and redeem the whole \$2,000,000. The public does not realize what the automobilists are doing for the highways. Massachusetts will receive this year \$1,000,000 from this source for the improvement of the roads. Whether the double taxation on automobiles is constitutional or not—the supreme courts of several states have declared that it is not—the Maine automobilists will cheerfully pay it so long as the money is judiciously and intelligently expended for the improvement of our highways, believing that there is nothing that will add to the development and prosperity of our State as better roads.

The secretary also recommended that a field day should be held by the Association during the coming year when all of the automobilists of the State could be brought together.

He called attention to the fact that when the war tax bill was before Congress during the past Summer, the committee having the bill in charge had written into it a tax of 50 cents per horsepower on all automobiles and trucks and two cents a gallon on gasoline; but when the committee's attention was called to the fact that all gas vehicles were already paying three taxes, the regular property tax like all other property, a special license tax of from \$5 to \$15 on each car and then on operator's tax; the committee saw the injustice of adding two more taxes. Had it not been for the American Automobile Association and the affiliated State associations, he pointed out, the matter would not have been properly presented to the committee and to Congress.

Mr. Bates told how the Association, working in conjunction with the State Highway Department, had laid out and secured all of the State road work in Maine, the Association doing all of the work and the Highway Department paying for the same.

He called attention to the road book and showed what a tremendous advertising medium it had been for the State.

See you saw it in the Citizen.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Fred Taylor visited his family the last of the week.

Miss Adelaide Edwards is home for the Christmas vacation.

The Alumni Social Club will meet with Mrs. Gehring, Tuesday, Jan. 5.

Miss Annie Talbot of Vinal Haven, Me., is housekeeper for Mr. G. L. Thurston.

Naomi Grover of West Bethel was a guest of Mrs. S. L. French a few days last week.

Mr. A. Van Den Kerkhofen has been appointed Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Emilia Rabideau has gone to her home in Milan, N. H., for the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. Wm. Lowe and Mrs. John Poole were in Lewiston, Saturday, doing Christmas shopping.

Frank Kendall and wife will spend Christmas at West Paris with their daughter, Mrs. Ring.

There will be a dance at West Bethel Grange Hall, Dec. 31, under the management of the Social Six.

J. S. Burbank returned from his camping trip at Upton the last of the week, bringing with him a fine deer.

Christmas Day, Rev. J. H. Little goes to Norway to assist in the Masonic service of the "Knights Templar Association."

Rev. Mr. Little was called to West Bethel last Sunday to attend the funeral of Lawrence H. Lowell, aged 6 years, child of Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Lowell.

The Men's Club will meet at Bethel Inn, Wednesday evening. Dr. T. H. Wright will read a paper on "Revolution and Liberty." Mr. C. W. Hall will read a poem and there will be selections on the Victor.

Thursday afternoon the Ladies' Aid will meet in J. O. O. P. dining hall and prepare to dispense Christmas cheer by decorating small baskets and filling them with good things to eat. These are to be sent out Christmas morning to the aged and shut-ins.

Mr. J. S. Hutchins met with a painful accident last Wednesday when coming out of the J. O. O. P. Hall. As he was stepping off of the last step his heel caught and he slipped breaking a bone in his ankle. He is able to be about the store on crutches.

The sale of Red Cross Seals in the village is meeting with great success. Over 1,000 have already been sold and it is hoped the 2,000 mark will be reached. If you have not already done your share there are a few days left to help this good work along. No one is working for a prize but just to help the cause.

W. S. Wright writes that he has choruses at present in Randolph, Winthrop and Gardiner and will begin work in Hallowell and Augusta after holidays. He is now singing at the Methodist Church in Augusta. His daughter, Marie, is spending her vacation at Woodford, after attending a fourteen weeks term of school at Kent's Hill Seminary.

The Loyal Workers met with Miss Hazel Arno, Friday evening and the following officers were elected to serve the year 1915: President, Hazel Arno; vice president, Naomi Smith; secretary, Elsie Davis; treasurer, Edith Somerville; chairman of social committee, Emma Rabideau; chairman of membership committee, Florence Springer; devotional committee, Iona T. Betts; missionary committee, Bertha Wheeler.

At the Woman's Relief Corps Wednesday evening the following program will be carried out: Christmas quotations; Christmas song, Mrs. Arno; reading from The Bible Christmas Carol, Mrs. Helen Baker; Santa Claus up to date trip, Mrs. Frank Kendall; singing, "Home Sweet Home." After which they will have a Christmas bag. Every one is expected to bring a present to put in the bag, then each one will draw from it in such a way that each one will have a present.

Thursday evening at 8.15 the usual Christmas supper will be served in Garland Chapel. The members of the Sunday school, church and parish and those accustomed to worship here are invited to join in making this a social occasion for young and old. As this is a picnic supper all who attend are requested to contribute food and if you invite friends to join with you please enlarge your contributions. No solicitors will visit you so please accept this notice as a personal appeal. The supper will be followed by a short entertainment under the direction of Miss Belle Partridge, then the presents will be distributed from the tree.

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PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of December, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen newspaper published at Bethel, in said county, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of January, A. D. 1915, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Joseph Zillis otherwise Joseph Gills or J. Gills, late of Rumford, deceased; petition for the appointment of Besse Mement or some other suitable person as administrator of the estate of said deceased presented by said Besse Mement, a cousin.

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ADDISON E. HERRICK,
Judge of said Court.

A true copy—attest:
ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

12-24-31.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Melville A. Grover late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

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Keep It Handy, For Rheumatism

No use to squirm and wince and try to wear out your rheumatism. It will wear you out instead. Apply some Sloan's Liniment. Need not rub it in—just let it penetrate all through the affected parts, relieve the soreness and draw the pain. You get ease at once and feel so much better you want to go right out and tell other sufferers about Sloan's. Get a bottle of Sloan's Liniment for 25 cents of any drug store and have it in the house—against Cold, Cough and Swollen Joints, Lumbago, Rheumatism and like ailments. Your money back if not satisfied, but it does give almost instant relief. Buy a bottle today.

RUMFORD

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What YOU Need

Perhaps YOU—like hundreds of others—are all "run down." Not sick enough to take to bed—nor strong enough to get on your feet. Your appetite is poor—your food doesn't digest—your bowels fail to act freely. "L. F." Atwood's Medicine will tone you up so you feel like new. We have used your "L. F." Atwood's Medicine for the last few years for all kinds of ailments, and we think it a great family remedy. I know of others who have used it and who regard it as a great remedy. Two or three doses will tone a person right up, and make him feel like new. Buy a bottle today. It is sold by mail—free of charge. "L. F." Atwood's Medicine Co., Portland, Me.

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"Some time ago I began having pains across the small of my back and they were so severe that I would almost faint," says G. B. McMenamin, barber, of 11 Knox St., Rumford Falls, Me. "I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills, taking them as directed. In a short time the pains left and I have had no return attack."

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WEST PARIS.

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Whooping cough is very prevalent among the children.

Miss Laura Barden has returned to Hebron to assist in the post office during the Christmas season.

Chandler Curtis is very ill from heart disease but is a little more comfortable at this writing.

Ellsworth Curtis returned from his hunting trip with two deer.

RUMFORD POINT.

Abbott Bros. are doing a logging job on the Jewett lot for F. H. Barlett.

John Howard and J. M. Dyer of Mexico were in town, Saturday, buying deer skins.

Miss Alice Hopkins returned from East Wilton, Saturday.

W. H. Barker and wife are keeping house in the toll house.

Harry and Ernest Barker have gone to North Stratford, N. H., to work.

Ivan Stove is sawing birch for Smith Bros. at Howard's Pond.

Miss Myrtle Foss of Mechanic Falls is visiting at D. A. Merrill's.

Born, Dec. 5th, to the wife of Walter S. Stearns, a son.

Born, Dec. 11th, to the wife of Guy G. Dolloff, a son.

SONGO POND.

Mr. Gilbert Rich of New York City arrived in Bethel, Sunday night for a short stay. He was at the "Roost" Monday.

Abner Kimball has commenced to put in his ice.

Mr. Herman Bennett visited in Lewiston last week.

Mr. Leslie Kimball has butchered three cows. He is sending them to Portland.

There will be a Christmas tree at Songo Pond school house, Thursday evening.

Mr. Phil Rolfe is working at the mill for Kilgore. He expects to move his family here the first of the week.

Mr. Jewett is boarding at Ellsworth Wilbur's.

MASON.

Miss Nellie Garey of Sumner, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. E. A. Grover, has returned home.

Almon R. Grover of Gorham is at work in the woods for his brother, Eli A. Grover.

Fred E. Wheeler of Norway is at work for T. A. Merrill, sawing pulp on the landing.

Dana Hall of Bethel and a drover from Auburn were in town, Monday, looking after live stock.

Miss Marion Dean is visiting friends and relatives in Lewiston and Auburn.

J. A. McKenzie was at home Sunday from his work in Albany.

A. J. Hutchinson is hauling pulp wood for D. W. Cushing.

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Mr. and Mrs. Percy Sweetser have started housekeeping in Virginia.

Mrs. Adam Young is visiting friends in Lewiston and Auburn.

A boxing exhibition took place in Majestic Hall on Wednesday evening last the main bout being between Shady McGrawick of Lewiston and Ernest Tibbodeus of Rumford. The semi-final was between Porkie Mercier of Rumford and Young War Eagle of Lewiston. The preliminary was between Young Hill Fleming of Lewiston and Albert Oullette of Rumford. Young Sam Langford vs. Albert Lajoie of Chelsea, Mass. William Norton acted as referee.

Rev. and Mrs. Frederick Crosby Lee spent the latter part of last week in Portland on business connected with Mr. Harwood's church.

Mrs. B. J. McGraw and little child left town on Friday last for Mrs. McGraw's home in Portland, where they will spend the Christmas holidays.

The basket ball game on Friday evening last at the Institute between Rumford High and Gould's Academy of Bethel, resulted in a score of 44 to 11 in favor of Rumford.

Miss Margaret Urquhart returned to Portland the first of this week accompanied by her sister, Anna. Miss Anna will remain for several weeks until her health is somewhat improved.

ANDOVER

James Porter, who has been working at Errol, is visiting his sister, Mrs. John Hawey.

The Young People have postponed their whist party until Thursday evening, Jan. 7.

Harrison Amber, who has finished a term of school at Rangeley, is in town stopping at Hotel Milton.

Doris Ripley from Mexico is visiting friends in town.

Ellie and Florence Akers, who have been attending school at Gorham Normal, are at home for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Edward Akers spent a few days at Rumford recently the guest of her son, Nathan Akers and family.

Raymond Curtis, the high school teacher, left Saturday for his home in northern Maine.

Rev. Geo. Graham preached an interesting sermon at the Congregational Church, Sunday morning, from the text, Luke 2:34.

Edwin Noble from Hyde Park is spending the holidays at Glenfalls.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Thomas were guests Sunday of their daughter, Mrs. Roger Thurston.

There will be a Sunday school concert and Christmas tree at the Congregational Church, Thursday evening, Dec. 24th.

The young people held their Whist Club, Thursday evening, Dec. 17, at the Hook and Ladder Hall with a good attendance. The first prizes were won by Mrs. Arthur Clark and Louis Hall.

The second by Victor Akers and Mrs. Chester Sweett. Refreshments were served.

Cabot Lodge, K. of P. worked the rank of Esquire on a candidate Friday evening.

Y. A. Thurston and G. E. Cushman were at Hanover, Thursday of last week.

Ralph Howey, who is attending a Seminary at Sherbrooke, Canada, will spend the Christmas recess at his home in Andover.

Geo. Grover and T. I. Goodard from Rumford were visitors at Cabot Lodge, Friday evening.

The annual meeting of the King's Daughters' Association will be held at the home of Mrs. F. E. Leslie on Thursday afternoon, Jan. 7th, to elect officers for the year and transact other business.

The following officers for Court Andover, Independent Order of Foresters, were elected Thursday evening, Dec. 10th:

Court Deputy—H. H. Morton. Court Physician—F. E. Leslie. Past Chief Ranger—R. L. Thurston. Chief Ranger—O. A. Farrington. Vice Chief Ranger—V. M. Perkins. Recording Secretary—L. M. Bodwell. Financial Secretary—Sam Marten. Treasurer—C. B. Newton. Organist—Mae Lobbes.

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The next meeting will be held, Saturday evening, Jan. 2nd.

Geneva Burgess has closed her school at the Surplus.

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FISH AS FOOD; OR FISH IN PLACE OF MEAT.

To the visitor to Boston from the Middle West and even from New York, one of the great attractions of this city is the delicious fresh fish which can be found here in a greater variety than in any other place in the United States. Inquiry at any of the great hotels in Boston will show that it is not uncommon for Western visitors at these hotels to eat fish at every meal during their stay; yet the average weekly consumption of fish in Massachusetts the year round is less than 13 ounces per person per week.

The public does not fully appreciate the healthfulness, palatableness and cheapness of fish as a food, and in order to educate the public to its value, the Directors of the Port of Boston have joined with the fishing interests to encourage and support this very important industry of this port. Boston is the largest fishing port in North or South America, rivaling Grimsby, England, as the greatest fishing port in the world. Already the Commonwealth has invested \$1,000,000 on the State's lands in South Boston in the biggest and best fishing pier in the world, on which the fishing interests of the port have erected \$2,000,000 worth of buildings for stores, ice-making plant and cold-storage plant; a total investment combined of \$3,000,000. During just one year (1913) the fish catch brought to this port alone was 170,000,000 pounds, worth \$7,500,000, the first price obtained. Last year over \$28,000,000 pounds of fish were taken from the waters of New England, or one-quarter of the entire catch of the country.

With the price of meat almost prohibitive—due to the fact that New England does not raise cattle to any appreciable quantity, and the increased cost of raising stock in the West, etc.—the Port Directors point out that fish is the only staple article of food to-day to which the people of Massachusetts, New England and in fact the entire country can hope to turn for relief from the high cost of living.

Practically all food as purchased contains two portions—one which can be eaten and the other which is refuse. Naturally, the part most interesting to the consumer is the eatable portion, which is made up of two parts—water and nutrients, which consist of protein, fats, carbohydrates and mineral matter, or ash. We get the fats in meat, fish, butter, olive oil and the oils from corn, wheat, etc. The carbohydrates include the glucose, cane sugar and cellulose groups, as represented in sugar, starch, etc. The mineral matter or ash is represented in the phosphates of lime, potash of soda, etc., needed to assist digestion. While all these nutrients are necessary, it is with the protein, which builds and repairs the tissue of the body and brain, that the consumer is most directly concerned. This protein is found in the white of eggs (called albumen), in the curd of milk (called casein) and in the lean flesh of meat and fish—these two last articles of diet containing about the same proportion of this very necessary protein, with one advantage, however, that the price of fish averages from one-third to one-half that of meat.

If the housewife buys a pound of smoked ham at 22c, she gets 10 per cent. of protein, but if she buys a pound of halibut at 7c she gets 18 per cent. of protein; with a pound of pork chops at 25c, she gets 17 per cent. of protein, and with a pound of herring at 8c, 10 per cent. of protein; sirloin at 30c gives her 10 per cent. protein, while beefsteak at 10c gives an equal amount of protein, and so on through the list. When a pound of fish at 10c gives the same amount of protein as a pound of meat at 25c, the east-coast housewife who does not take advantage of this great saving in money should not complain of the cost of living.

When the housekeeper knows and realizes that fish combined with bread, potatoes and other vegetables can be counted on to supply the demands of the human body as well as meat, there will be a larger demand on the part

of the public for fish. Not only is there a plentiful supply of fish to supply this demand, but the eastern coast market carries the following "staple varieties," the year around—bluefish, cod, flounders, haddock, hake, porgies or soup, halibut, herring, mackerel, pollock, whiting (silver hake), western salmon, sea bass, smelts, shad, weakfish. And even this long list does not include all the fish sold for food in our markets. At all times fish can be purchased at this port from 10 to 12c per pound while meat costs at least on an average of from 20c to 30c per pound.

Through habit and custom, fish at present has a place on our tables only once or twice a week, and as a result there is a woeful lack of knowledge in the United States as to the proper way of cooking and preparing fish for the table. The sauces which add flavor and piquancy, and the many necessary dishes such as salads, croquettes, patties, etc., are seldom considered with regard to fish in this country. With an increased use of fish will come better knowledge of the correct way to prepare and cook fish. The foreign-born population of the United States are in fact the real fish consumers of the country. They have brought their fish-eating habits with them from Europe, where fish, not meat, is the more common nitrogenous food; and they are accustomed to make an appetizing and satisfying meal of fish. We in the United States have done comparatively little to stimulate our fisheries, while the older nations have expended every effort to gather the crops that the waters yield so abundantly, and deliver them cheaply and in prime condition to their people, not only along the coast, but to extreme inland towns.

The average meat consumption of the individual in the United States has long been declining. Seventy-five years ago, one half of the national diet was meat, while five years ago (1910) it had dwindled to one-third, a decline of 16.6 per cent. due undoubtedly to the increase price of meat which had risen between 1897 and 1910 over 37 per cent. Yet with all the decline in the consumption of meat, the percentage spent for beef by the average Massachusetts family to-day is still higher than that spent for any other article of food, the expenditures of the household for meat being two-fifths of the total amount spent for all foodstuffs. Fish on the other hand has not increased in price over a quarter or a half a cent a pound in ten years, but the average family has not taken advantage of this low price for a nourishing food, for only 5.3 per cent. of the total expense for all foodstuffs went for fish. And all these out-of-proportion expenditures with fish containing much more nourishment than meat and purchasable at from one-third to one-half the cost!

Like many of our resources, we have not yet begun to fathom the value of the fish in our waters. Only time and necessity will teach what they mean to the Nation. Meat shortage was an old problem to other nations when the United States was in its infancy. And to add to this problem to-day we have the more recent one of disease rampant among our cattle. There is only one way to meet the problem of an increased cost and shortage of meat, and that is to supplement our meat supply by turning to the sea for fish. There is a limit to the supply of cattle, but when we come to the fish of the sea, we find them feeding and breeding unaided, and practically in unlimited numbers. The land over which they swim and the water through which they float are free, and they pay no tithes. Food taken from the sea is not sent to the land. It is in no way impoverished by the soil and in fact adds to the fertilizing elements of the country.

The Port Directors believe that the people of Massachusetts and New England, and in fact the whole country should make "EAT FISH" their slogan. They should make fish a part of their meal as often as possible, and in doing so they can be assured that it will give them the proper nourishment for sustenance, will reduce the cost of

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have introduced bills in Congress making it unlawful for business concerns in the United States to contract or ship to any nation at war, any class of ammunition, arms or armament. In line with this same theory that in order to maintain strict neutrality the United States should not permit its institutions to supply the needs of war, Charles M. Schwab, president of the Bethlehem Steel Company, has acceded to the request of President Wilson and Secretary of State Bryan, and has cancelled an order from Great Britain to furnish twenty submarines at a net cost of \$350,000 each. American manufacturers have been meeting tremendous demands from the European nations for war supplies and equipment. All these shipments have gone to the Allies, since Germany has been inaccessible to our ships. And while, unwittingly, our aid has been a great boon to the Allies, Great Britain has been a perfect pirate in its interference with American shipping interests, and has overhauled most of the cargoes originating in the United States, and in many instances has prevented delivery of shipments on the general supposition that they were "suspicious." The advocates of the Litchcock and Bartholdt measures declare that some sort of legislation of this kind is essential, and they hold out that this is quite necessary for the Congress to pass some such law in order to more fully protect and establish the neutrality which our government wishes to obtain.

A SUBSTITUTE FOR "TIPPERARY."

Josephus, the First, Lord of the American Admiralty, more familiarly known as the Secretary of the Navy, denies that he has forbidden the singing of that catchy air, "It's a Long Way to Tipperary,"—and whether "Tipperary" is against neutrality or not, it appears that a new jingle has been taken up by the middies. Try it on the melodeon:

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THE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE.

Last Christmas Eve a beautiful tree was placed immediately in front of the United States Capitol, and a Christmas festival was held on the Capitol plaza. It was the first recognition of the "Community Christmas Tree" idea, and it was so thoroughly appreciated by all who witnessed the gorgeous spectacle, that Vice President Marshall and Speaker Champ Clark, who controlled the plaza park, have consented to its use again this year. The "Community Christmas Tree" is an idea of one of the big eastern cities, but it is so pretty a custom that large and small places all over the country are adopting it. Try it in your own town.

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Of course this is a big country, and it takes a lot of words and a lot of printing to keep the people informed as to the affairs of Agriculture. It is related that once upon a time a man who clamored for a big job was called when set to work washing an elephant. This may have been a large task, but to attempt to supply everybody with something to read, but the Agricultural Department has come very close to doing it. Since according to the annual report of the Department 28,000,000 agricultural bulletins were distributed during the past fiscal year. The Superintendent of Documents sold 231, 321 documents for \$21,708.76, and the rest of the bulletins were distributed free.

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HUMAN HEALTH AND THE FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.

The anxiety that has been expressed in several quarters in regard to the effect upon human health of the present outbreak of the foot-and-mouth disease is regarded by Government authorities as somewhat exaggerated. The most common fear is that the milk supply might become contaminated, but in view of the precautions that the local authorities in the infected areas are very generally taking, there is comparatively little danger of this. Milk from infected farms is not permitted to be shipped at all. The only danger is, therefore, that before the disease has manifested itself some infected milk might reach the market. For this reason experts in the Department of Agriculture at Washington recommend pasteurization. As a matter of fact, however, pasteurization is recommended by the department anyway for all milk that is not very high grade and from tuberculin-tested cows.

It has been demonstrated by experiments which have been made in Denmark and Germany that pasteurization will serve as a safeguard against contagion from the foot-and-mouth disease just as readily as it does against typhoid fever, but in any event it must be thoroughly done—the milk must be heated to 145 degrees F. and held at this temperature for 30 minutes.

In this country the foot-and-mouth disease has been so rare that there are few recorded cases of its transmission to human beings. In 1902 a few cases were reported in New England and in 1908 in a few instances eruptions were found in the mouths of children, which were believed to have been caused by contaminated milk. In both of these outbreaks the sale of milk was stopped as soon as the disease was found among the cattle. As long therefore as the disease can be confined by rigid quarantine to certain specified areas the danger from this source is very small. Should the pestilence spread all over this country and become as general as it has been at various times in large areas in Europe, the problem would become more serious. Under any circumstances, however, pasteurization would be an efficient remedy. Where pasteurization is not possible and where there is any reason to suspect that the disease may exist the precaution of boiling milk might be advisable.

Cows affected with the malignant form of the disease lose practically all of their milk. In mild cases, however, the decrease may be from one-third to one-half of the usual yield. The appearance of the milk also changes. It becomes thinner, bluish, and poor in fat. When the udder is affected, the milk frequently contains congealed fibrin and blood, so that a considerable sediment forms, while the cream is thin and of a dirty color. These changes, however, occur only when the disease is in an advanced stage, and as a matter of fact, the disease is not permitted to pass into an advanced stage, any stricken animal is at once slaughtered.

Men who come in contact with diseased animals may also become infected. In adult human beings the contagion causes such symptoms as sore throat, painful swallowing, fever, and occasional eruptions on the hands, face and feet. While causing considerable discomfort, however, the disease is hardly serious. Where it is very prevalent among animals, some authorities believe that it is fairly general among

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human beings, but that the disturbances it causes are usually so slight that they are not brought to the attention of the family physician. There is, however, a very good reason for everyone giving the diseased animals as wide a berth as possible, namely, that otherwise they may easily carry the disease to perfectly healthy herds. Federal inspectors engaged in the work of eradicating the pestilence are thoroughly equipped with rubber coats, hats, boots, and gloves, which may be completely disinfected; and others who lack this equipment are strongly urged not to allow their curiosity to induce them to become a menace to their own and their neighbors' property.

The disease, in short, is dangerous because of the loss that it occasions to property, and not because of its effects upon the health of mankind. At present all infected herds are being slaughtered as soon as they are discovered, the carcasses buried, and the premises thoroughly disinfected. Until all danger of infection has been removed in this way, the local authorities quarantine the milk.

Those who wish additional precautions are recommended to use pasteurized milk, but as has already been said, this recommendation holds true whether or not there is any fear of the foot-and-mouth disease.

THE KNOCKER'S PRAYER.

Lord, please don't let this town grow. I've been here for thirty years, and during that time I've fought every public improvement, I've knocked everything and everybody; no firm or individual has established a business here without my doing all I could to put them out of business. I've told them if I had the courage, I have done all I could to keep the town from growing and never have spoken a good word for it. I've knocked hard and often. I've put ashes on the children's shins and I've made the marshal stop the boys playing ball on my vacant lot. Whenever I saw anyone prospering or enjoying themselves I've started a reform to kill the business or spoil the fun. I don't want the young folks to stay in this town and I will do all I can by law, rule and ordinance to drive them away. It pains me, O Lord, to see that in spite of my knocking it is beginning to grow. Some day I fear I will be called upon to put down sidewalks in front of my property and who knows but what I may have to help keep up the streets that run by my premises! This, Lord, would be more than I could bear. It would cost me money, though all I have was made right here in this town. Then, too, more people might come if the town begins to grow, which would cause me to lose some of my pull. I ask, therefore, to keep this town at a standstill, that I may continue to be the chief. Amen!

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MAINE

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE.
Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1914.

The following list of taxes on real estate of resident owners in the Town of Bethel aforesaid, for the year 1914, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 1st day of August 1914, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Odeon Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1915, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Amt. tax	Charges
Bethel Mfg. Co.	Factory,	\$48.00	\$1.00
	Finishing Building,	\$3.00	1.00
	East 1/2 of 22-0-00,	0.00	1.00
	Common land on Newry line,	4.00	1.00
Burpee, James,	The Mitchell farm, south of highway,	\$2.00	1.00
Cushman, Archie G.,	Homestead farm,	\$2.00	1.00
Geary Warren A.,	Homestead,	\$2.00	1.00
	The Valentine and Chapman Intervale,	\$7.40	1.00
Jones, O. M.,	Homestead at East Bethel,	\$3.00	1.00
Kimball, Ellen E.,	Homestead farm,	\$1.00	1.00
Lewelly, Helen B.,	Homestead farm,	\$3.00	1.00
Phay, J. E.,	Homestead at West Bethel,	\$0.00	1.00
	Store at West Bethel,	\$3.00	1.00
Hayford, Eugene,	Homestead farm,	\$1.00	1.00
Reed, Harry L.,	Homestead at West Bethel,	\$3.40	1.00
Small, Mrs. Vittalia,	Homestead,	\$3.20	1.00
	The Godwin land,	\$8.45	1.00
Vergh, Fred C.,	Homestead farm,	\$2.40	1.00
Wynnan, W. P.,	Homestead,	\$1.00	1.00
Walker, Horace E.,	Homestead,	\$3.00	1.00
	West lot of E. B. Berry,	\$1.00	1.00
	Meadow, part of 22-0-00,	\$2.00	1.00
	1/2 of 12-0-00, 1/2 of 12-0-00,	\$2.00	1.00
Swan, Marcella E.,	Homestead,	\$2.00	1.00

December 15, 1914.
N. F. BROWN,
Treasurer and Collector of Taxes of the Town of Bethel.

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE.
Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Mason, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1914.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Mason aforesaid, for the year 1914, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 1st day of May 1914, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at the Town House in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1915, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Amt. tax	Charges
W. W. Mason Estate,	Lot 2, Range C,	\$4.84	\$2.00
	Lot 2, Range C,	\$1.87	\$2.00
	Lot 2, Range C,	.94	\$2.00
Frank Farnell Estate,	40 acres in Lot 1, Range 4,	\$1.11	\$2.00

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Bethel & Hunsford	The Dunham lot,	\$6.00	\$2.00
Electric R. R.,			
Blackman, R. W.,	The Dole lot, 18-5-125,	17.00	2.00
Back, Charles,	The Phoebe Carson homestead, of A. B. Tyler,	3.30	2.00
Day, George W.,	Lot 7, Range 1, 125 acres,	5.50	2.00
Estes, John M.,	Part of Richard Estes Intervale,	8.30	2.00
Richardson, John E.,	The G. P. Bean Farm,	66.00	2.00
	G. P. Bean Farm, 25-2-40,	7.70	2.00
	Russell Pasture, 27-7-30,	6.80	2.00

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Name of Owner	Description of Property	Amt. tax	Charges
Byron A. Reed,	4 acres in Lot 2, Range 3,	\$10.50	\$2.00
E. B. Bartlett,	40 acres in Lot 10, Range 11,	3.00	2.00
Estate of W. W. Mason,	124 acres in Lot 7, Range 3,	15.00	2.00

December 15, 1914.
GEORGE CUMMINGS,
Collector of Taxes of the Town of Albany.

The loss in Arcobrook county during the past season from forest fires amounted to \$600, when 750 acres were burned, according to Land Agent Viles. This is a very small loss compared to average years.

Woodstock in Oxford county is the only place in Maine to have a 100th anniversary of its incorporation company in 1915 and it is the present understanding that the town will properly observe the occasion. The following years of 1916 will, however, have 12 places with a similar chance to celebrate—the towns of Brooks, Cherryfield, Corliss, Dexter, Greenwood, Orlford, Kingsfield, Moscow, Ripley, Wales and Wells. All are expected to celebrate.

IT WILL PAY YOU TO READ THE ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN.

Bragdon's Motion Pictures At Odeon Hall, Wednesday Eve, Dec. 23.

A Great Warner Feature In Three Parts

A Wrecker of Lives or Death, the Avenger

OTHER SUBJECTS:

HOW LONE WOLF DIED—Indian
MAX THE LADY KILLER—Comic
THE FALLS OF EXECUTION IN SWEDEN
A FOOT OF ROMANCE
BUNNY'S SWELL AFFAIR—John Bunny
ANCIENT RUINS OF THEBES, EGYPT
WHIFFLES NIGHT OUT—Comic

Friday, Dec. 25. A GOOD SHOW PROMISED

Get The Habit Of Going To The Movies

The Shows Are Growing Better Every Week.

Remember Those Who Remembered You at Christmas By Sending Them A New Year's Card.

We have an exceptionally large assortment that we sell at 10 cents per dozen.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From Washington.

By J. E. Jones.

THE ISSUE OF 1916.

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The Republicans assert that the country is already tired of the Democratic administration, and they charge the low tariff has been producing hardships. Their theory is that they have a walk-away in 1916.

Progressives confidently assert it is the only strength in either one of the parties remains in the pledges the people that they will carry Progressive principles in the future. They assert that notwithstanding the fact that they slumped nearly the fourth of their strength in the election, that the reason all laid in fact that the Progressives joined the Republicans simply to lick Democrats. These Progressives in that in a national election where President is to be voted for that most progressive members of both parties will stand together for a progressive program under the Progressive party banner in 1916.

The Prohibition party is "pork up," and its members assert that the country is coming around to their way of thinking. Their joy knows bounds since they attained a majority in the House of Representatives in the question of a constitutional amendment providing for national prohibition.

Who will deny that America is now in a political utopia, since nearly every one interested in politics can see out their coming victories?

THE POST OFFICE SURPLUS.

Former Postmaster General Hittcock claimed to have achieved a surplus in the Post Office Department, and so soon did he lose himself in the mining regions of Arizona than his successor, General Burleson, challenged the statement, and claimed that there had been a deficit of nearly a million dollars. Now the Postmaster General asserts that he has a real surplus receipts of \$3,500,000 or more, over operating expenses. Perhaps it were Mr. Burleson right to have the credit refuse to admit his claim. They decided that if all the general expenses were paid from postal receipts, and not from the Treasury direct, that the surplus would vanish into thin air. Postmaster General have been juggling with the surplus since they took office, and have been an intelligent accounting of the Post Office Department. They do not know, and neither does anyone else, the true state of Post Office finances. Millions of dollars worth of public property and buildings owned and occupied by the government appear to obscure the power of the Department to arrive at a true balance.

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS.

The evidence is strong that the people who would dig into conditions regarding the lack of national preparedness are losing ground. President Wilson and the "War Ministers" might revise the words, "It's a Long Way to Tipperary" and substitute "It's a Long Way to Freedom."

THE CALIFORNIA EXPOSITIONS.

It has been announced that the opening of the San Diego Exposition has been postponed for several weeks. The San Francisco Exposition apparently has become a sort of side issue to the San Diego affair, if one is to judge by the representation given to the two shows in the public press.

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